

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-16 are canceled. Claims 17-26 were previously presented and are presently pending.

I. Interview Summary:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the personal interview conducted November 20, 2007. During this interview, Examiner Rudy and the Applicant's representative discussed the asserted written description rejection and identified support for each of the elements noted by the Examiner. It is the Applicant's understanding that the Examiner and the Applicant came to an agreement that the claimed subject matter was described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor, at the time the application was filed, had possession of the invention. Below, Applicant has provided reference to exemplary pages and figures that support the claimed subject matter as requested by the Examiner.

II. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. Section 112:

The Office action rejects claims 17-26 under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicant respectfully disagrees. In particular, the following claim elements were described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor, at the time the application was filed, had possession of the invention:

Lines 2-4: page 5, lines 3-5 and 19-23.

Lines 10-11: Fig. 3, step 206 of Fig. 2, Page 6, lines 19-20, page 9, lines 5-14.

Lines 22-25: page 10, lines 3-6.

These sections are not exclusive, but do provide direct support for the claimed elements. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, and allowance of claims 17-26.

III. Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons, claims 17-26 should be allowed. If the Examiner intends to issue anything but a Notice of Allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned to discuss possible amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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